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MEMORANDUM

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To: All NSLP Sponsors

From: Pat Cook and Katherine Stewart, RD, CPFM
Office of Child Nutrition and School Health
Nutrition Education Program Consultants

Subject: **The Food-Safe Schools Action Guide Kit**

The USDA has announced the availability of the new Food-Safe School Action Guide Kit. The "Kit" can help schools identify gaps in food safety and develop an action plan for becoming food-safe. It includes individual critical recommendations on what key school staff and community members can do to prevent foodborne illness, included with the kit are suggestions to:

- IMPROVE Student and Staff Attendance.
- PREVENT Serious Foodborne Illness.
- REDUCE Liability.
- LOWER Substitute Costs
- ENHANCE Family and Community Confidence in Your School.

Learn more by visiting the one-stop resource for preventing foodborne illness outbreaks located at:

www.foodsafeschools.org/

The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) worked with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as a key member of the National Coalition for Food Safe Schools. FNS contributed to the development of the outreach plan for the Kit.

All Food-Safe Schools Action Guide contents, along with extensive partner resources, will be available on-line at no charge at the same website address.

There will be a preconference workshop and a food safety session that includes the Kit at the upcoming FNS National Nutrition Education Conference in September.

If you have any questions about the Kit please contact the FNS Food Safety Unit at FoodSafety@fns.usda.gov <<mailto:FoodSafety@fns.usda.gov>>